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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

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Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/55/745/Add.7) [122]

The General Assembly took note that Mauritania and Saint Lucia had made the necessary payments to reduce their arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Election of judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [185]

(a) Letter from the President of the Security Council (A/55/871)

(b) Memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/55/872)

(c) Curricula vitae (A/55/873)

In accordance with article 12, paragraph 2 (d), of the Statute of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the Holy See and Switzerland were invited to participate in the election of the judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

The representative of Mexico made a statement.

The observer of the Holy See made a statement.

The President announced that he had been informed that Mr. Frederick Mwelwe Chomba (Zambia) had decided to withdraw his name from the list of candidates established by the Security Council.

The General Assembly proceeded to the election of two judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

Since, in the first ballot, no candidates obtained the required majority, the Assembly proceeded to another round of unrestricted balloting to fill the two vacancies.

Note: The PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA and the SUMMARY OF MEETINGS of bodies other than those of the General Assembly at its fifty-fifth session appear in Part II (English/French) of the present issue of the *Journal* (No. 2001/78 (Part II)).

In the second ballot, having obtained the required majority, Mr. Winston Churchill Matanzima Maqutu (Lesotho) and Ms. Arlette Ramaroson (Madagascar) were elected judges to serve on the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for a term of office until the expiry of the terms of office of the judges currently serving on the Tribunal, that is, until 24 May 2003.

The General Assembly was informed that the terms of office of the two judges would commence as soon as possible.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 185.

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